

## MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

## No. I.—A NEW TORTOISE FROM TRAVANCORE.

I see that in the description Mr. Boulenger gives of "A new tortoise from Travancore," he says he received the two living specimens, from which he drew it up, from Major Dawson. This is a mistake, as they were procured and sent by Mr. T. F. Bourdillon, Conservator of Forests, at my request.

With reference to the height to which these tortoises ascend the hills, Mr. Bourdillon informs me that my impression that 1,000 ft. was the limit is wrong, as he has found them at Permerd at 3,000 ft.

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## No. II.—THE BIRDS OF CHITRAL.

In May 1904 the Society received a most interesting series of bird skins collected by Capt. G. A. Perreau in Chitral, which, following on those collected by Capt. H. Fulton (see Vol. XVI, pp. 44 and 744), will probably be found to make the list for that region fairly complete. The doubtful species were identified by me at the British Museum (Natural History).

The following 22 species were included in Capt. Perreau's collection which were not in Capt. Fulton's list, viz.:—

- (530) *Sturnus porphyronotus*, The Central-Asian Starling.
- (557) *Muscicapa grisola*, The Spotted Flycatcher.
- (618) *Savicola picata*, The Pied Chat.
- (620) „ *opistholeuca*, Strickland's Chat.
- (624) „ *enanthe*, The Wheatear Chat.
- (628) „ *chrysopygia*, The Red-tailed Chat.
- (642) *Ruticilla erythronota*, Eversmann's Redstart.
- (644a) \* „ *phenicura*. This is the first authentic specimen of this Redstart that has been recorded from British India, and it can consequently now take its definite place in the list of Indian birds.
- (651) *Calliope pectoralis*, The Himalayan Ruby-throat.
- (712) *Accentor nepalensis*, The Eastern Alpine Accentor.
- (717) *Tharrhaleus fulvescens*, The Brown Accentor.
- (741) *Pycnorhampus icteroides*, The Black and Yellow Grosbeak.
- (745) *Pyrrhula aurantiaca*, The Orange Bullfinch.
- (763) *Erythrospiza githagina*, The Desert-Finch.
- (774) *Fringilla montifringilla*, The Brambling.
- (792) *Emberiza leucocephala*, The Pine-Bunting.
- (795) *Emberiza buchanani*, The Grey-necked Bunting.
- (813) *Hirundo rustica*, The Swallow.
- (830) *Motacilla hodgsoni*, Hodgson's Pied Wagtail.
- (844) *Anthus similis*, The Brown Rock-Pipit.
- (865) *Calandrella acutirostris*, Hume's Short-toed Lark.
- (874) *Galerita cristata*, The Crested Lark.

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